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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re

Case No. 23-30564

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP
OF SAN FRANCISCO,

Chapter 11

Debtor and
Debtor in Possession.

**INTERIM ORDER GRANTING DEBTOR'S
EMERGENCY MOTION FOR INTERIM
AND FINAL ORDERS AUTHORIZING
THE DEBTOR TO (1) PAY CERTAIN
PREPETITION INVOICES FOR ABUSE
SURVIVORS' ASSISTANCE AND SAFE
ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS, AND (2)
CONTINUE ITS PREPETITION
PRACTICE OF PAYING FOR ABUSE
SURVIVORS' ASSISTANCE AND SAFE
ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS**

Date: August 24, 2023
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Via ZoomGov

Judge: Hon. Dennis Montali

1 The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco's ("RCASF" or the "Debtor")¹ motion,
2 filed on August 21, 2023, as ECF No. 13 (the "Motion"), for an order authorizing the Debtor (i) to
3 pay certain prepetition invoices for abuse survivors' assistance and safe environment programs, and
4 (ii) to continue to pay certain invoices for such programs in the ordinary course of its business came
5 on for hearing, on an emergency basis, before this Court, on August 24, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. Paul J.
6 Pascuzzi, Esq., of Felderstein Fitzgerald Willoughby Pascuzzi & Rios LLP and Ori Katz of
7 Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP appeared on behalf of the Debtor. All other appearances
8 were as noted on the record.

9 The Court having considered the Motion, the Passarello Background Decl., the Gaspari
10 Decl., and the Passarello Decl. filed in support of the Motion, and the representations of counsel as
11 reflected in the record of the hearing, and the Court having found that it has jurisdiction over this
12 proceeding; that this is a core proceeding; that notice given of the Motion is appropriate under the
13 circumstances of this Bankruptcy Case and that no further notice is necessary; that the relief sought
14 by the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtor, its estate, and its creditors; and that good and
15 sufficient cause exists for such relief,

16 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

17 1. The Motion is GRANTED, on an interim basis as set forth herein.

18 2. The Debtor is authorized, but not directed, to pay accrued but unpaid prepetition
19 amounts due and owing to Counselors and other counter parties involved in the Abuse Survivors'
20 Assistance and Safe Environment Programs as of the Petition Date, on an interim basis up to an
21 aggregate amount of \$10,000.

22 3. The Debtor and its employees and agents are authorized to take such acts as are
23 necessary and appropriate to implement and effectuate the relief granted herein.

24 4. The Debtor's banks are authorized and directed to honor and pay all pre-petition and
25 post-petition checks issued or to be issued and fund transfers requested or to be requested, by the
26 Debtor in respect of the Abuse Survivors' Assistance and Safe Environment Programs.

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28 ¹ All capitalized terms used but not defined in this Order shall have the same meanings given to
them in the Motion.

1 5. Notwithstanding the relief granted by this Order and any actions taken in accordance
2 with this Order, nothing in the Motion or this Order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the
3 validity of any claim against the Debtor; (b) a waiver of the Debtor's rights to dispute any claim on
4 any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any claim; (d) an implication or admission that
5 any particular claim is of a type specified or defined hereunder; (e) a request or authorization to
6 assume any agreement, contract or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; or (f) a
7 waiver of the Debtor's rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

8 6. A final hearing on the Motion shall be held on September 14, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.
9 Oppositions to the Motion, if any, shall be filed with the Court no later than September 7, 2023, and
10 served on counsel for the Debtor listed on the first page of the Motion and this Interim Order. The
11 Debtor shall file any reply to any opposition to the Motion by noon on September 12, 2023.

12 * * * **END OF ORDER** * * *

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